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PRESS

Press release issued in English and Spanish: U.S. EPA announces \$327,000 for environmental projects along the California/Baja California border

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/us-epa-announces-327000-environmental-projects-along-californiabaja-california-border>

<https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/us-epa-anuncia-327000-para-proyectos-ambientales-lo-largo-de-la-frontera-de>
(LND, SoCal/Border, Margot Perez-Sullivan)

Press release issued: [U.S. EPA fines East Bay communities and municipal utility district for sewage discharge violations](#)
(ENF, NorCal. Michele Huitric)

SF Chronicle (Annie Ma) [Received 4/24] – CLOSED - Reporter had questions about the EBMUD press release. Provided written response. ENF, NorCal. Michele Huitric

East Bay Express (Gabrielle Canon) [Received 4/24] – OPEN - Reporter has questions about the EBMUD press release. Will work with program on response. DDL: 4/25. ENF, NorCal. Michele Huitric

Coverage of EBMUD press release:

- **SF Chronicle:** [Oakland, East Bay Mud fined \\$360K for allowing sewage into bay](#)
- **East Bay Times:** [East Bay cities, utility districts fined for sewage overflow](#)
- **AP:** [Oakland, water district fined for sewage spills into bay](#)

Media advisory issued for tomorrow's brownfields grants announcement in Sacramento: [MEDIA ADVISORY: U.S. EPA to make brownfields announcement, spotlight lead cleanup in Sacramento](#) (SFD, NorCal. Michele Huitric)

KCRA3 (NBC) (Mitch Hanner) [Received 4/24] – CLOSED – Assignment editor confirmed attendance of reporter and photographer at tomorrow's brownfields event in Sacramento. SFD, NorCal. Michele Huitric

Belator Media (Steven Styles) [Received 4/24] – CLOSED – Photojournalist confirmed attendance at tomorrow's brownfields event in Sacramento. SFD, NorCal. Michele Huitric

CurbedSF (Chris Roberts) [Received 4/17] – OPEN – Reporter has new questions about Bayview Hunters Point site and recent results regarding buildings on Parcel A. Working with program on response. SFD, NorCal. Michele Huitric

Associated Press, Reno (Scott Sonner) [Received 4/16] – CLOSED – Reporter has questions regarding Anaconda removal from emphasis list. Worked on responses with program, sent approved responses SFD, NV, Margot Perez-Sullivan

The Garden Isle (Jessica Else) [Received 4/24] -CLOSED – Reporter asked in EPA was involved in aid for flooding on Kauai, checked with ER Section, EPA not involved, let reporter know. SFD, HI, Margot Perez-Sullivan

KAWC, Yuma NPR Affiliate (Maya Robnett) [Received 4/24] – OPEN – Science reporter would like less than 15 minutes of phone interview to discuss Border 2020 grant announcement. Waiting on HQ to approve radio interview with the director of the San Diego Border office. LND/Border, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Santa Barbara Independent (Nick Welsh) [Received 4/23] – CLOSED– Reporter has follow up questions on Casmalia site and what the emphasis list means for the timeline. Inquiry referred to region from HQ, working with RPM to answer questions that can be answered in the region and then asking for HQ input on the special emphasis list. SFD SoCal, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Cronkite News (Abdel Jimenez) [Received 4/23] – OPEN – Reporter interested in Tucson airport superfund site and requesting interview. Will provide written responses. SFD, AZ, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Documentary Filmmaker (Leana Hosea) [Received 4/18] – OPEN – Filmmaker working on documentary looking at Flint water crisis and Navajo drinking water issues. Requests interview. We corresponded with filmmaker at length last year and provided background information on the agency's work. Filmmaker will be on Navajo this May and is seeking an on camera interview. SFD, Navajo Nation, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Student Journalist (Matt Roberts) [Received 4/18] – OPEN – Student reporter met RPM and CIC at recent event on Navajo. He is requesting interviews with staff to "humanize" the agency. Waiting for questions. SFD, AZ, Margot Perez-Sullivan

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media:

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Funding – Posted to our [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) pages about the new funding opportunity and linked to our [West Coast Collaborative](#) site.

Web Updates:

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Funding – Updated our [West Coast Collaborative](#) site with information about the new DERA funding, in conjunction with the issuance of the news release today.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a call today with John Murray and Chris Gaspar in the Senator's San Francisco Office to provide a briefing update on the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard issue and address the recent news media coverage involving the shipment of soil from Hunters Point to landfills across California. Superfund's Lily Lee, John Chesnutt, Angeles Herrera, and Office of Regional Counsel's Brianna Fairbanks participated in today's call.

Rep. Juan Vargas (D-CA-51): As a follow up to an inquiry received yesterday from Paola Guzman, Field Representative in the Congressman's Chula Vista Office asking if we could set up a briefing on how the Border Environmental Infrastructure Financing (BEIF) program works in terms of how the money is awarded/allocated, Brent Maier has offered up a teleconference call for Wednesday, April 25th at 1:00pm with Water Division's Doug Eberhardt and Roger Kohn. Paola Guzman has confirmed her availability.

Congressional Outreach on U.S. EPA Settlement to Prevent Untreated Sewage from San Francisco Bay: Brent Maier shared with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris and Representatives Barbara Lee and Mark DeSaulnier today's press release announcing that EPA and the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board announced that the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) and five East Bay communities will be assessed \$389,300 in penalties for violating the terms of a 2014 settlement designed to prevent untreated sewage from entering San Francisco Bay.

Congressional Outreach on Availability of DERA Grant Funding: Brent Maier shared today's HQ press announcement with Congressional staff for the entire Region 9 Congressional delegation regarding the availability of grant funding to modernize the nation's diesel fleet by retrofitting or replacing vehicles with cleaner, more efficient diesel engines. EPA anticipates awarding approximately \$40 million in Diesel Emission Reduction Program (DERA) grant funding to eligible applicants, subject to the availability of funds.

Congressional Outreach on Border 2020 California Grants: Brent Maier shared today's press release with Congressional staff in the offices of California Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris and Representatives Darrell Issa, Duncan Hunter, Juan Vargas, Scott Peters, and Susan Davis \$326,776 in grants to fund four environmental projects in California and Baja California, along the U.S.-Mexico border. The projects aim to increase understanding of binational airshed data, assess transboundary wastewater spill impacts, improve waste management and reduce plastic bag pollution. The funds will be matched by an additional \$318,813 from the recipient organizations.

Congressional Outreach on Media Advisory for April 25th Brownfields Event: Brent shared today's media advisory regarding the April 25th Brownfields event with Congressional staff whose offices will be attending/participating in the event including the offices of Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris and Rep. Doris Matsui.

EPA HQ Meeting with Hesperia, CA Local Officials: Local officials were interested in federal funding support, including WIFIA potential – for its \$19.7m “Septic to Sewer” water infrastructure project. Unfortunately, the city has not received adequate funding to proceed with this project. Hesperia local officials have met regularly with EPA over the years to discuss this project and others related to meeting water needs. US Representative Paul Cook (CA-08) requested this meeting on behalf of the City of Hesperia; staff participation. Local Officials: Bill Holland, Mayor Pro Tem; Council Member Larry Bird; City Manager Nils Bentsen; Julie Ryan, Management Analyst. EPA Leads: Office of Water (WIFIA; Water Infrastructure & Resiliency Finance Center); Region 9's Brent Maier; and OCIR's Arnita Hannon.

Tomorrow - Four (4) RSVPs from Congressional Offices for April 25th Brownfields Event: Brent Maier invited Congressional staff from the offices of Congresswoman Doris Matsui and Senators Dianne Feinstein and Kamala Harris to attend an upcoming April 25th Brownfields event in Sacramento. Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss will announce a combined \$1.05 million in Brownfields grants being awarded to the cities of Sacramento (Revolving Loan Fund Grant) and West Sacramento (Assessment Grant). Acting Regional Administrator Strauss will also highlight a successful lead cleanup at an affordable housing redevelopment site, funded through a previous \$600,000 Revolving Loan Fund grant. Invitees included John Murray and Sean Elsbernd in the San Francisco Office of Senator Dianne Feinstein; Larry Wallace, Sydney Lewis, and Annaly Medrano in the Sacramento Office of Senator Kamala Harris; and Meghan Stiles in the Sacramento Office of Congresswoman Doris Matsui. **As of today, we have received four (4) RSVPs from Meghan Stiles in the Sacramento Office of Congresswoman Doris Matsui and from Sydney Lewis and Larry Wallace of Sen. Kamala Harris' Sacramento Office; and John Murry in Sen. Feinstein's San Francisco Office of their planned attendance.**

Upcoming Congressional Meetings, Hearings, Intergovernmental Meetings and Events:

Thursday – April 26, 2018 - Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24): Brent Maier received an inquiry from Johanna Montiel, Legislative Assistant in the Congressman's DC office regarding the Casmalia Resources Superfund Site and the EPA settlements history and funding reserves for ongoing cleanup activities at the Site. Brent followed up with Russ Mechem who is the Superfund Remedial Project Manager for the Casmalia Resources Superfund Site and was provided some links where the settlements are listed along with settlement funds collected. Brent shared links to the Casmalia Resources Superfund Site: <https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/cursites/csinfo.cfm?id=0901257> and a link to a list of settlements

completed to date:

<https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.cleanup&id=0901257#Enforce> The list of settlements is covered under "Cleanup Activities", just scroll down to "Enforcement Information". Altogether, these settlements have recovered over \$119 million to help fund response actions at the site. With regard Johanna's question of how much settlement money is currently in the Casmalia clean-up fund, it is a little complicated with multiple settlements, multiple phases of work, and multiple funding sources. Brent has confirmed a call for Thursday, April 26th at 9:30am to discuss and answer any remaining questions Johanna may have.

Thursday, April 26, 2018 – House Appropriations and House Energy and Commerce Committee: FY2019 Budget Hearings with EPA. Witness: Administrator Scott Pruitt.

House Energy & Commerce Committee – 10:00am ET (7:00am PT): <https://energycommerce.house.gov/hearings/the-fiscal-year-2019-environmental-protection-agency-budget/>

House Appropriations Committee – 2:00pm ET (11:00am

PT) <https://appropriations.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=395262>

Tuesday – Wednesday, May 1 – 2, 2018: Mayors Water Council Convenes May 1 – 2, 2018: EPA's Office of Water has been invited to participate in USCM's Mayors Water Council's Washington, DC meeting as member mayors convene to discuss a number of priorities. OIR is working with USCM and OW staff on the request. Broad discussion topics include: Water and Sewer Infrastructure Policies of Inclusion and Innovation; Water and Sewer Infrastructure Financing; Public Water Affordability and Integrated Planning; and, Regulatory Review. Assistant Administrator for Water Dave Ross has been invited to engage in dialogue with the mayors as they take the opportunity to familiarize him with their perspectives on such matters of interest as: WOTUS; Regions and Consent Decrees (stormwater); Water Reuse Guidance; Guidance on Financial Capability; Integrated Planning; and, the Lead and Copper Rule. AA Ross is unavailable, and Andrew Sawyers, Director, Office of Wastewater Management, will appear in his stead. The Council has also invited OW leads for the MS4 Pilot Projects, and the WIFIA Program to appear with overviews, and engage in discussions. **Mayor Jill Techel (Napa, CA)**, is Chair of the Council. Over thirty mayors from a cross-section of the country serve on the Council. AA Ross last addressed the Council on January 24, 2018 during USCM's Annual Winter Meeting in Washington, DC. He discussed EPA's priority programs WIFIA, SRFs, and those involving Integrated Stormwater Management Planning and he listened to member mayors about their concerns. OCIR Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon.

Wednesday, May 2, 2018 – Rep. Nanette Barragan (D-CA-44): Congresswoman Nanette Barragan called Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss to ask if our office could join the Water Board and City of Compton on a discussion panel next Wednesday, May 2, 6 – 7:30 pm on the local drinking water distribution system and quality of water served. They'd like us to be prepared to discuss what has been done, what can be done. The water utility and a local physician are also invited. Alexis has asked Water Division Director Tomas Torres to follow up on this request to identify someone from our Water Division to attend and respond to Norchelle Brown in the Congresswoman's Office at 323 385 0773.

Friday, May 4, 2018 - Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA-13): A 2nd meeting is scheduled as a follow up to an earlier meeting of Chief of Staff Amy Miller in the Congresswoman's Oakland District Office that will focus on City of Oakland/Port of Oakland issues. This meeting will involve Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss, Amy Miller, Richard Grow and Desean Garnett and will be taking place on Friday, May 4th at 3:30pm and will include Acting District Director Tatyana Kalinga and Field Representative Xavier Johnson.

Tuesday, May 15, 2018 – Senate Appropriations Committee: FY2019 Budget Hearing with EPA. Witness: Administrator Scott Pruitt